Effect on International Trade.

The Mexican ambassador was then introduced. "As I realize the spirit of loftiness and foresight that prevails in your discussions and your studies," he said, "I fully comprehend the enormous progress of your country. To resolve its financial, social or political problems the United



REPRESENTATIVE D. S. ALEXANDER States relies on the disinterested and efficient work of such of its citizens whose learning may contribute toward reaching a solution satisfactory to the interests of tomac and federal reservations across the republic

"The presence here of the first magistrate of this country, whose personality commands all respect both at home and abroad, gives a special luster to your meetings and a stimulus which must greatly encourage you all, "The solving of your river and harbon

problems is of the greatest importance to my country, not only on account of the knowledge to be derived from your studies, but also because of the influence that a wise solution may have on international commerce. The facilities offered by river works for the improvement of navigation and of

port works, which increase their capacity while affording the necessary security for shipping, must need have an influence in your international trade, as they con- feat any efforts along that line. tribute to reduce the cost and increase the rapidity of transportation. Thus, if all the countries in the world

are to follow attentively the progress of your study of this subject, your two neighbors. Canada on the north and Mexico on the south, both represented here, are particularly bound to do so, and you also are interested in knowing what your neighbors, to whom you are bound by important commercial ties, are doing in the "In conclusion, allow me, gentlemen, to

express my earnest wishes for the happy outcome of your labors, that will doubtof this country, which is an example of the commonwealth of Virginia, and that what intelligence and labor may achieve the exact legal status of the whole queswhen used in the cause of progress."

Popular Sentiment Created. Representative Alexander of New York,

chairman of the House committee on rivers and harbors, congratulated the congress upon its efficient work in arousing a healthier and more general public sentiment in behalf of waterway improve-"There was a time," said he, "when

those upon whom fell the labor and responsibility of recommending appropriations felt that only those were interested in the work who directly and immediately profited by the expenditure of the money. It could readily be recalled that when river and harbor bills were introduced one or more members of the House challenged their need, enlarged upon their wastefulness and assailed individual appropriations, especially those devoted to projects for the improvement of the great dent's recommendations affecting the Disnland rivers. But the intelligent efforts of this body, representative of every locality and devoted to the proper and prompt improvement of the more important waterways, have been helpful to legislation by creating a sentiment which heard absolutely nothing to indicate that makes for the betterment of water trans-

"The readiness of the Rivers and Harbors Congress to seize upon the accomplishment of the end in view has best been demonstrated, perhaps, in the early espousal of an annual river and men quickly called for business methods, and the elimination of the uncertainties of legislation became a rallying cry. The efficiency of an annual river and harbor bill has been demonstrated by sixteen years' experience. It meant certainty of appropriations, it satisfied the Corps of Engineers, it safeguarded the early completion of projects, and it combined economy with the best business methods. Hostility to river and harbor improvements drove it from legislation fields. But now that such hostility is eliminated no good reason exists why it should not

To Restore Annual Bill.

made at this session of Congress. The engineers have opened the way by subbe enacted into law moderate in amount, fair to all sections of the country, discriminating in its selection of projects and helpful in the speedy completion of great improvements.

"The engineers' estimates, reducing the

cost of maintenance to its lowest terms, has eliminated the fear often expressed that the maintenance of completed projsets would of itself make river and harbor appropriations oppressive; but the without sacrificing the valuable features put into a letter box on F street.

figures submitted render such a fear of school buildings, such as making them Mr. Davis contended there is no evi ocalities, including all the great harbors of the country, with that of New York and its celebrated Ambrose channel, can be maintained for less than two millions Referring to the Ohio, Mississippi and

Missouri rivers, Mr. Alexander expressed the opinion that as surely as trade follows the flag just so certainly will commerce follow and fill the permanently improved channels of these great inland

Waterway Bills Defended.

The most notable feature of the address by Representative Ransdell, president of the congress, was the statement that river and harber tills for the last thirteen years have been as free from the charge of "pork barrel" as any measure passed by Congress.

"We have always opposed a dribbling, plecemeal policy of waterway improveadoption of a complete, general, wise and conservative plan. With the end in view of completion in a definite period—of tend to fifteen years—flose waterways in our lifetime and construction of the local schools," he said this morning, "I do think that when the desk in his study."

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"We have ever made and shall continue to make a determined fight against anything that savors of so-called 'pork barrel' legislation in river and harbor bills, and we unhesitatingly say that for the last thirteen years these bills have been Bessie Cox, who, with her husband, is be-

Mr. Ransdell, just before adjournment taking of poison. at 12:30 o'clock, announced the rules which will govern the convention. Announcements were made of committee assignments and recess was taken until 2:15 o'clock.

This Afternoon's Session.

The principal business at the afternoon's session was the presentation of reports by chairmen of state delegations. Addresses were made by the following: J. A. Patton of Chattanooga, Tenn., president Tennessee River Improvement Association: Col. William L. Sibert, member Panama canal commission; D. E. Skinner of San Francisco. Cal., National Lumber-men's Manufacturers' Association, and Senator William E. Borah of Idaho.

TO GET PALISADES Illinois Legislator Denies He

Suggests Appointment of Commission to Determine Ways and Means of Acquisition.

HE FAVORS JURISDICTION IN DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Not Persuaded Public School System Is Extravagant.

SEES PLAUSIBLE EXPLANATION

Opposed to Reduction of Teachers' Salaries-Senator Dillingham Reluctant to Agitate Changes in Administration.

The appointment of a commission to determine what should be done in the way of negotiations and of legislation looking to the addition to the District of Columbia of the palisades of the Pothe river in Virginia was suggested this morning by Senator Gallinger, chairman of the Senate District committee.

He was discussing the first steps necessary to carry out one of the recommendations made by President Taft in yesterday's message to Congress.

The President and Senator Gallinger are close together in their view on retrocession. Senator Gallinger has recently expressed himself as believing that opposition to the reclaiming to the District of Columbia of all the territory in Virginia formerly included in the "ten miles square" was great enough to de-

Would Preserve Palisades.

the National Capital marred, and suggests that a good way to preserve them as an ornament to the Federal Capital is to place them within the jurisdiction of under the direct supervision of Congress. "I hape we can do that some time,"

he said this morning. Senator Gallinger, however, thinks that tion must necessarily be determined before definite steps can be taken. It is for that purpose that Senator Gallinger has suggested the appointment of a commis-

"Some man or body of men could be appointed by the Commissioners to make an investigatibn and outline the neceslegislative action to be taken," he "Some who are familiar with the past relations between the District of olumbia and Alexandria county could be designated. The Congress would have some definite plan of action placed be-

Attention will probably be given to this juestion at one of the early meetings of the Senate District committee. There is a possibility of action to that extent at the present short session.

Knows of No School Graft. Senator Gallinger said today that he has read with much interest all the Presitrict government.

"I am not persuaded that there has been extravagance in the expenditures for the District's public schools. I have there is what is commonly termed graft in the local schools," he said, in commenting on the President's statements regarding the educational system. "I do not think," the President said in his message, "the present control of the school system of Washington commends

itself as the most efficient and economical and thorough instrument for the carrying on of public instruction." He then set forth a table, prepared by Engineer Commissioner Judson, showing per annum in the District is higher than in other cities of about the same size.

"If the facts are to be obtained as to the reasons for the cost of maintenance here," Senator Gallinger said today, "

High Cost May Be Explained.

not the enforcement of the eight-hour law arguments of counsel. It is expected the many close friends. Interment will be cities with which I am familiar, adds to the cost of school buildings here. There is also the question whether or not the double system of schools-one for white year, and if the policy of the rivers and and one for colored pupils—makes the harbors committee is adopted a bill can cost of maintenance higher here than

there is a superabundance of supervision dence introduced before the jury shows care of a physician. in the local system. That suggests a that instead of being deposited in the

groundless, since they show that 136 fireproof and otherwise safe for the dence in the case to show the letters were

cial plan for the District. President Taft known as the Judson plan, under which they would have been taken to the post permanent improvements will be financed office or direct to the mail trains. The permanent improvements will be financed out of the current revenues by extending record is absolutely silent on this point." the time within which the debt can be

That plan is before the Senate Distric mmittee in the shape of a bill.

Dillingham Reluctant to Change. Senator Dillingham, ranking member of testimony that White and Pierce were the Senate District committee, said today in the office of Dufour in this city. On chairman of the immigration commission, States Attorney Turner, the witness was of the American Society of Religious Edto the government printing office just said White was here, or the subject of the vacancy. At this time he also took sipped the last quart of champagne, tal. The funds were insufficient, how-

Victim of Suicide Pact.

VICKSBURG, Miss., December 7 .- Mrs. as free from the charge of pork barrel lieved to have been the victim of a sui- residence of Dr. A. J. Ghiglione, the coln Avenue Methodist Church. as any that have been passed by Con-cide pact, was a daughter of Charles Italian consul, early today, shattered all Several weeks ago he spoke in Charles gress. While there has been criticism of Hunter of Walcott, N. Y., according to this character, in our judgment it is unadvices received here last night. Cox and his wife died Saturday night following the

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Handled Jackpot.

TELLS OF VISITTO ST. LOUIS

Also Explains Why He Voted for Senator Lorimer.

BEFORE SENATE COMMITTEE

Investigation in Chicago of Alleged Corruption in Senatorial

Election.

Instead of going to St. Louis July 15 1909, to distribute among Illinois legislators the famous alleged "jackpot" fund. Robert E. Wilson, member of the legislature of Illinois, testified today before the Senate subcommittee investigating the election of Senator William Lorimer that the purpose of his visit was to arrange for a banquet for Lee O'Neill

cratic minority. Counsel Enters Protest.

Brown, one of the leaders of the demo-

Wilson's examination was conducted by Attorney A. S. Austrian, representing the Chicago Tribune. Once Judge Eldridge Hanecy, counsel for Senator Lorimer, protested against Austrian questioning Wilson about his testimony before the grand jury in Chicago. Judge Hanecy said an indictment was pending in Illinois against Wilson, and he protested against what seemed to be a 'persecution, malicious in its nature." Before the trip which Wilson made to St. Louis was touched upon the witness explained that the reason that he, a democratic member of the legislature, voted for Lorimer, a republican, for senator was because former Sheriff Barrett had asked him on his deathbed to do anything he ever could for Mr. Lorimer.

Was Planning for Banquet.

Wilson said he went to St. Louis to ar-But he doesn't like to see the beauty range for the banquet, because the opof the palisades of the Potomac opposite posing faction had given a dinner to its leader. The members who met him there were Beckemeyer, Luke, Shepard, Link, Secretary of American Society sponsibility and wanted always to be able to give his deepest study to the work. Clark and White.

The examination into what took place the District of Columbia and therefore at St. Louis was not extended, on account of the committee taking a recess. Wilson, however, denied that he paid money recall that White had been in the bathof his room at the hotel with him they were in the bathroom, turned the "jackpot" over to White for distribution among members of the legislature.

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The part of the legislature of t It had been charged that Wilson, while Wilson did recall that he invited Shepard into the bathroom, but he could not remember their conversation, further than to say that it was not material.

BY HUSTON'S COUNSEL

Indictment at Variance With Evidence, Is Claim-Method of Use of Mails.

That the proof offered by the prosecu tion is at variance with the allegation of the indictment against James N. Huston, began early yesterday morning, was the trial in Criminal Court, No. 1, before Justice Wright and a fury, charging them dry Methodist Church at 2 o'clock Friday fraud, was the claim made today by Attorney Henry E. Davis for the de- list of clergymen who will take part infense. Therefore he asked the court to cludes Rev. Dr. John W. R. Sumwalt. instruct the jury to acquit the defend- district superintendent of the Washing-

at request of United States Attorney Wiltaken wholly by surprise, and persuaded | trict. thing special inquiry should be made along | the court to let the argument await until the requests for instructions to the jury had been decided.

The entire session of Criminal Court

"We do not know," said Attorney Da

Witnesses Heard Yesterday.

of Dufoour, corroborating the defendant's

ENEMIES SEEK REVENGE.

Burned to Death in Tower.

mies of the consul.

After The Star's report closed yester-

vis, "whether, if they had been collected

in the District, and not in some other case will go to the jury Friday morning. made in Rock Creek cemetery. Technical Point Raised. The variance urged by Attorney Davis ing, when he was suddenly attacked by is that while the indictment alleges the indigestion. His son, Rev. Dr. Herbert

been committed by depositing letters in Episcopal Church, was summoned. He

his early life was spent in Kent county, istry of the Methodist Church.

many prominent pulpits of the denomina-Wilkesbarre, Scranton and Lancaster, Pa.; Wheeling, W. Va.; Buffalo, N. Y.; in the active ministry, Dr. Smith, while pastor of Grace Methodist Church in

Succeeds Dr. Gilbert. About two years ago, after the death

unable to state the exact time when he ucation, he was chosen to succeed to kles ate the last bit of a broiled quail, ment of the poor of the Mexican capithe conversation of White. He also could up the work of writing the Sunday school pushed back his chair and then smiled ever, Azcona alleged, and were turned not recollect any other person whom he lesson for The Star.

sketch are a reverential tribute to the of a \$700 wager.

serted that the explosion was caused by dynamite placed in the garage by en-

After his return to Washington Dr. railroad, was burned to death last night in his tower. It is believed that he overturned a lamp, setting his clothing on fire, and was too weak to save himself. The body was discovered when a train crew opened the door.

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SUCCUMBS TO DEATH.

REV. JOSEPH E. SMITH.

of Religious Education.

to any of the legislators. He failed to FIFTY YEARS IN PULPIT and Wilbur F. Smith of Baltimore, sur-

Episcopal Church.

WROTE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSO

Funeral From Foundry Church Fri- Gratified That Mr. Taft Deday-Clergy to Be Pallbearers.

Burial in Rock Creek Cemetery. Rev. Dr. Joseph Edmund Smith, secretary of the American Society of Religious the ministry of the Methodist Episcopal Church, having in that time served as

pastor of Mount Vernon Church of Balthe cathedral of Methodists, died at his The funeral will take place from Foun-

ton Methodist Episcopal churches; Rev. son, who informed the court that he was of the Methodist churches of the Dis-

Clergymen to Be Pallbearers. Honorary pallbearers will be chosen from the Methodist Episcopal clergy of No. 1 tomorrow will be occupied in the Washington, among whom Dr. Smith had

and hearty until early yesterday mornovert acts of the conspiracy to have Scott Smith, rector of St. Margaret's ington is the 'national city.' "Some claims have been made that the Washington post office, the evi- decided at once that his father needed the as much for that reason as for anything

seemed much relieved. It was expected ped into a chute in an office building that he would soon mend and be about However, as the day wore on his con-

for the worse. In the early evening he grew weaker and weaker, until the end Dr. Smith was born in Queen Anne county, Md., September 1, 1830. Much of

St. Paul, Minn.; Trenton, N. J., and at should urge Congress to take favorable Baltimore. After rounding out fifty years action on the bill already drawn up." Baltimore. After rounding out fifty years

lay, Frank B. Kaye testified on behalf this city, decided to retire.

Rev. Dr. James E. Gilbert, secretary

He was also engaged in preparing the

nearby residences. Dr. Ghiglione, his were the association workers in that wife and two children were asleep when the explosion occurred. They were not 5,000 copies of the address were printed in the explosion occurred. and sent to all who were interested in At Dr. Ghiglione's residence it was as- the effort, as well as those who might

Gratified With Reception.

Smith told a number of his friends MOBILE, Ala., December 7 .- John Mc- that he was especially pleased to be Guire, aged seventy, thirty years in the able to aid the work in West Virginia. employ of the Louisville and Nashville The cordiality with which his appeal of Clarksboro, near here, met instant were made," said Postmaster General

on one occasion, he was always deeply kins, "the charge is placed against Senor careful of his statements, in view of Sanchez-Azcona by Diaz, as a wild hope fact that thousands of Sunday ending on his effort for their first expositions of the lesson for the following Sunday. He said he felt the re-sponsibility and wanted always to be One daughter, Miss Caroline F. Smith

and three sons, Rev. Dr. Smith, rector he will have in his power one of the of St. Margaret's Church; Rev. Frederick W. Smith, rector of Trinity Episcopal Church of Takoma Park, Md.,

voted So Much Attention to Washington Local Affairs.

That the Commissioners are gratified by the length of the President's remarks hard to base such a charge on his action regarding the District in his annual messince leaving Mexico. He went direct sage may be gathered by the happiness to San Antonio, Tex., making no attempt with which they discuss the subject. to cover his departure from Mexico. At and they are therefore under the belief that when the entire nation realizes that the National Capital is the subject of so cans will have more and more of the feeling that Washington is "our city."

happened. If the Mexican government ideas more clearly and more forcibly on ing his extradition it is doomed to dis- can be worked out without undue difthe subject of the District in the message appointment. I can't say anything about than was expressed by the editorial in our plans for defense yet, but you can the Star of yesterday," said Commissioner Johnston today, "and I am glad politan Memorial Methodist Church, and to see that both the press and the people Rev. Dr. Nailor, formerly presiding elder are taking up the same strain. It must be of intense gratification to the President to see that in paying so much attention to against Senor Sanchez-Azcona in detail,"

against Senor de la Barra this morning. "I be of intense gratification to the President Washington he is getting the co-operation of every serious-minded person in it.

Audience of Ninety Millions.

can appeal to all the people, and in tak- city since the beginning of the revolu-Washington affairs he is certainly bound to create a great sentiment that Wash-'We are to be congratulated, I think,

Commissioner Rudolph is especially in-Sanchez-Azcona has for some time been terested in the portion of the message dition gradually seemed to take a turn a board of education separate and distinct from the municipal heads. Guatemala and the Argentine Republic, a other President has ever taken up Disdone. The insight he has into the city's and a brother-in-law of Senor Casa us.

a compliment to the whole District. I am States. He came here November 21 from sition within the next three months. particularly glad to note that he has San Antonio, Tex., where his consultations with Francisco I. Madero, present public service corporation. This we have an open secret. already asked Congress to do, and I take it as a compliment that the President

QUAIL AND WINE NIGHTLY.

Thirty-Two Consecutive Dinners witness.

Makes \$700 for Diner. CHICAGO, December 7.—George Raza- ceived by that paper for the entertaina \$700 smile as he gazed about at other women of Mexico City for disburse-

of the donors.

Azona declared that after due judicial investigation, in which he appeared as a witness, the case was dropped. Later, he said, he founded The accomplishment of his thirty-sec-Christmas sermon he was to deliver in ond meal of quail and wine in an equal Hamline Church. The first lines of the number of nights made him the winner Italian Consul at Seattle.

SEATTLE, Wash., December 7.—An explosion in the garage in the rear of the residence of Dr. A. J. Ghiglione, the limited and consultation of the world.

Redeemer of the World.

Recently Dr. Smith had occupied a thirty-two more quall in the next thirty-two nights," Razakles said.

"You couldn't bet with me on any proposition," said the proprietor of the responsibility of the country of the responsibility of the country of the cou

Ambassador Wilson a Guest.

MEXICO CITY, December 7.-American Representative Not Considered for Ambassador Henry Lane Wilson was the guest of honor at a banquet given here Mexican ambassador to the United who represents the second congressional that measure is framed by the appropriation of the capital district of California in the present Conmembers of the cabinet, judges of the su-preme court and high officials of the fedmaster general in the spring, as aneral government.

Crushed Under Building. ATHENS, Ga., December 7 .- J. B. Cody

CALL ARREST PLOT CONFER ON DISTRICT GIRL A FIRE HEROINE

Diaz, It Is Said, Wants to Get House Committee Holds First Warns Woman and Boy of Meeting of the Session.

Possession of Azcona.

False Pretenses.

ing of money under false pretenses.

line of action he contemplated.

"From all I can learn," said Mr. Hop-

Enemy of Diaz.

confiscated altogether, was not only

charge of the man who was then San-chez-Azcona's employer. The latter only

entered into the case as a witness. The

case was dropped against the principal,

there being no evidence sustaining the

Sanchez-Azcona remained in Mexico

however, his newspaper plant was iscated by order of President Diaz,

hree years after that. About six months

and without any legal proceedings, and

"Now, before the Mexican government

can obtain his extradition under the

is a fugitive from justice. It would be

made absolutely no attempt at conceal-

Has Many Friends.

"My client, I believe, is glad the thing

Ambassador de la Barra today denied

that there was any political significance

nothing to do with his arrest. No-(in

tion, under the leadership of Senor Gus-

Says He Was Only a Witness.

Azcona declared last night that the

ncident in connection with which

charges have been preferred against

him occurred four years ago, and that

his part in the affair was merely as a

MCKINLAY NOT SLATED.

Assistant P. M. General.

"Whatever may have been the situa-

tion at the time these announcements

ment in any of his movements.

friends to care for his interests.

in the arrest.

treaty it must prove that Sanchez-Azcona

he left the country to save his life.

His Newspaper in Mexico Suppressed Decided Opposition Unless Regular Cashier in Real Estate Office Acts Meeting Days Are Supplemented. and Later Confiscated.

PRISONER ENGAGES COUNSEL THIRTY-FIVE CALENDAR BILLS NEARLY OVERCOME BY SMOKE

Will Make Strenuous Fight-Charged Chairman Smith Indicates Purpose to | Good Work Done by Department De-With Getting Money Under Secure Special Day at an

to obtain possession of Azcona for politi- evening sesions devoted to the same pur-

The House committee on the District of Senor Juan Sanchez-Azcona, one of the leaders of the anti-Diaz sentiment in Columbia held its first meeting of the ses-Mexico, who was arrested at the Hotel sion today. Gordon late yesterday afternoon by di- The conference, for that is what it smoke and almost cost Miss Bessie Burrection of the Department of Justice, on really was, as no new business of any well her life in a fire which partially the request of the Mexican government, sort was discussed, was called by Chair-

to date, is based on the alleged obtain- and which it is desired to get out of the of smoke. When an office boy whom way before adjournment. Senor Sanchez-Azcona, who was arrest-Decided opposition developed at the ed provisionally under the treaty of 1899 with Mexico as a fugitive from justice, any program involving the reporting of of flames, and the fire and smoke had spent last night in comfortable quarters new legislation unless definite assurances worked its way up through the floor and in the United States jail. From there, can be obtained from the organization at least for the time being, he will dileaders in the House that the paucity of rect, through his counsel, what the latter regular District days will be supplementcharacterizes as a fight to thwart Presi- ed by special days, set aside solely for dent Diaz of Mexico in the latter's plan the consideration of local business, or by

Early Date.

cal purposes. Mr. Hopkins says he does not contemplate, for the immediate fu-The principal objection to evening sesture, any move looking to the release of sions seems to lie in the fact that the opponents of any measure that might be his client by habeas corpus proceedings. scheduled for consideration would be sure Mr. Hopkins, who has figured in a to show up, while it is not by any means number of international litigations in so certain that the friends of those measwhich Latin-American countries were ures, at least those that could be counted concerned, refused to state today what passively in the affirmative, would do so.

Only Four Regular Days.

Representative Samuel W. Smith Michigan, the committee chairman, pointschool teachers and scholars were de- and last plan to obtain possession of a ed out to his colleagues that there is political enemy and one whom he has strong probability that there will be only four regular district days at this session. This, at a glance, is a convincing argument for special days or evening "President Dias knows that if he can sessions, he said, for consideration of get possession of Senor Sanchez-Azcona District legislation alone.

There are eleven bills on the House calreal fathers of the hostile sentiment in Mexico. Sanchez-Ascona was a powerful four on the private calendar and four reman in Mexico and a powerful enemy even for Diaz. His paper there, which Diaz suppressed three times and finally shark bill, the Coudrey gas company bond erty assessment bill, the Olcott measure most up-to-date newspaper in the City of Mexico, but was a strong weapon for the "The charge is, in itself, absurd. It is dren and the Cary bill to reduce the price of gas to the consumer. ended in a trial on the same

> Smith bill, embodying the provisions of the Judson funding plan for District the fire-fighters. finances; the Pearre inheritance tax bill and numerous street extension bills affecting all quarters of the city. near future by Chairman Smith to secure a special District day at an early

failed through the objections raised by

Representatives Tawney of Minnesota

and Mann of Illinois. President's Massage Pleases.

Mr. Smith told a Star reporter this morning that he was exceedingly pleased with that portion of the Presiabout two weeks ago he came under his dent's message dealing with the Disday than has any other chief executive, own name and registered at the Hotel trict of Columbia. He has long been Gordon under his own name. He had enthusiastically in favor of a public service commission; in fact, he was an advocate of this proposition before it had become generally discussed, and original plan to secure the recession Virginia of its original contribution of land for the District of Columbia

> "Last year, if you will remember," said Mr. Smith, in talking over the District portion of the President's message today ic utilities of the District. One of these nissioners with the powers of a public result. But I am inclined to agree with President Taft that there is need of cennecessary legislation, the power to make day the appointment of six additional let rules and regulations governing the con- ter carriers to meet demands for the imthe revolutionists in Mexico, are emphatic duct of the gas, electric light and power provement of the delivery service in variin declaring that Sanchez Azcona's arrest and street car companies of the National Capital.

Expects Early Action.

is purely the result of a plot by President Diaz to obtain possession for political Virginia side of the Potomac, so that the pointment is effective from Becember 1. Mexico. He is a graduate of the Uni- park system of the District may be are as follows: George S. Webster other city would, in his opinion, tolerate versity of Paris and Heidelberg Uni- planned in its entirety and carried out versity. He is a son of the late Senor logically and comprehensively, I do not Azcona, former Mexican minister to Italy, think any serious objections will be cousin of Senor Covarrubias, the present Mexican ambassador to Great Britain, acquire entire credinal tract ceded business is of great importance, and is former Mexican ambassador to the United prised to see some action on this propo-"I think that eventually we will have director of education at the head of sioners be clothed with the powers of a leader of the Mexican revolution, were the public school system of the District.

public service corporation. This we have an open question

are in favor at this time of abolishing

he board of education and centralizing

all the school authority in a single head.

This is a question which the average per-

plenty of time to consider." In view of the pressure being brought o bear upon the District committee and ipon Congress, just now, for the early manager of El Diario, a newspaper in Mexico City, contributions were ret is probable that it will be necessary for dealt with rates and transportation prob he sponsors of the proposition to accept an amendment providing for the withment, making the pension plan entirely by chairmen of committee on banks and contributory. So much opposition to the warehouses and on bonded warehouses. measure is threatened, unless this amendment is accepted, that it is considered extremely doubtful if favorable action could be had upon it in the House, even after extended considerable actions. even after extended consideration.

RIVERS AND HARBORS BILL. Measure Probably Will Be Reported to the House Friday.

The rivers and harbors appropriation bill, on which the House committee on rivers and harbors has been working for a fortnight, will be put in final shape at a meeting which probably will be held tomorrow. The bill, carrying approximately \$22,000,000 of cash funds and \$5,-000,000 in continuing contracts, in addition to \$7,500,000 likely to be included in ported to the House Friday. The mem-bership in the House generally is interested in the measure, and it will be exnounced in recent dispatches from Cali- pedited.

Cotton Warehouse Burned. THOMASVILLE, Ga., December 7 .--

Their Danger.

IN REVOLUTIONARY PARTY AGAINST NEW LEGISLATION SAVES EMPLOYERS' BOOKS

Promptly at Blaze.

spite Dense Smoke and Slippery Streets.

Her solicitude for the safety of other occupants of the building saved several people from possible suffocation from wrecked the building at 900 14th street northwest about noon today. today retained Attorney S. G. Hopkins man Smith, in order that the members Miss Burwell, who is employed as cashto defend him. The charge against Senor might talk over ways and means of se-Sanchez-Azcona, of which only telegraph- curing action at this session on the thirty- ier in a real estate office on the first floor

ic information has reached Washington eight local measures now on the calendar of the building, first detected the odor she had sent to investigate finally reached the furnace room, where the fire is bemeeting of the committee today toward lieved to have originated, it was a mass into the second story. Knowing that Mrs. George M. Slye, wife of one of the real estate operators

by whom Miss Burwell was employed, was in the apartment on the second floor, Miss Burwell hurried upstairs to warn her. Mrs. Slye, with her small son, hurried from the building, and Miss Burwell continued up to the third floor, to warn the occupants of the apartment there of the danger. Everybody upstairs was out, and by the time that Miss Burwell turned to retreat, the smoke was so thick that it was with difficulty she made her way to the

Before she would permit any attention to herself, however, she made sure that all the books in her office were safely placed in the safe, and when she reached the street she carried the firm's check book in her hand. Treatment at a near by grocery store soon restored her.

Millinery Is Rescued.

The front room of the basement of the building is occupied by a millinery establishment. Headed by Capt. Doyle. Detective Warren and a number of passersby braved the good-natured badinage of the crowd and rescued a number ported to be tabled. The bills on the of costly hats, preventing any damage to the stock by smoke and water.

> merly the residence of the late Uriah H northwest. As the smoke was pouring from the upper windows when the fire pery condition of the apparatuses called for some spectacular work on the part of

> The fire department received a call thi morning about 10:30 o'clock from box 254, because of a blaze in the house of Yvon Pike, 1821 Q street northwest. A. young woman in the house was using gasoline to clean furs and an explosion

of the fluid caused a blaze. She escape uninjured. Members of the fire department re sponded to the alarm, the snow-covered streets impeding their progress, but the reached the house in time to prevent a serious fire. The damage amounted to

about \$75.

APPOINTED HEAD OF POSTAL STATION A

Louis E. Barnard Chosen to Succeed the Late James E.

Bell.

Louis E. Barnard of the District of Co-Mr. Barnard entered the city post office

April 1, 1892, and arose through merit to

and one to station B, Capitol Hill. The Thomas McMaster, Archibald C. Tindall Byron J. Kenyon, Marion E. Gilbert and

WAREHOUSEMEN IN SESSION. Three-Day Meeting of the Associa-

tion Begun This Morning.

Forrest E. Locker.

The annual meeting of the American Warehousemen's Association was called as to whether the people of the District to order this morning by the president, Homer McDaniel, in the library of the New Willard. The meeting will continue for three days, with morning and afterson interested in the subject desires noon sessions. Reports of officers were read following the roll call, after which Philip Godley, chairman, read the report of the executive committee. The report of the committee on rail

lems in which warehousemen and firms are interested. Other reports read were This afternoon's session opened at 2:30 o'clock with the reading of the report of

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